

Ladies & Gentlemen:

I am writing to encourage you not to remove current restrictions on pesticide labels. I believe any changes, particularly those used for mosquito control, will result in harming, not improving public health and the environment. Specifically:

- 1) Keep all label restrictions and aquatic setbacks in place for permethrin based products.
- 2) Fully disclose all aquatic species that may be impacted by permethrin, whether the animals have been specifically tested or if evidence from related species indicates that they may be harmed. Species lists on labels should not be limited only to groups that have been subjected to tests on that particular pesticide.
- 3) Keep bee labeling to protect pollinators, most importantly bees and butterflies, from being needlessly harmed. Pollinators are vital to life as we know it. They are responsible for much of the food we eat, not to mention food for wild animals.
- 4) Mandate consultation with state and local agencies before spraying to assure that all federal, state and local regulations and laws are being followed. Also, prosecution of label violators must be toughened.

Thank you for your consideration,
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